

reject any and all bids, and if, in their discretion the prices quoted are unreasonable, said The Mayor and City Council of Taneytown may readvertise the work or any part of it, or may do any part or all of the work by day labor, provided that at any time the said The Mayor and City Council of Taneytown may, in its discretion, expend by day labor for construction work an amount not exceeding two thousand dollars (\$2000.00) without advertising or receiving bids therefor.

The said The Mayor and City Council of Taneytown may, however, purchase the necessary machines, tanks, devices, pipe supplies and all electrical or steam or other power, chemical and mechanical equipment, appliances, and other accessories, as in its discretion may be deemed advisable, and may advertise as aforesaid, for bids for the construction, alteration, establishment and extension of any other units of said project, in whole or as a part.

All contracts shall be protected by such bonds, penalties and conditions as the said The Mayor and City Council of Taneytown shall require, all of which shall be enforceable in any court of competent jurisdiction.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That for the purpose of providing funds for maintaining and operating the sewerage system and sewage treatment and disposal plant contemplated by this Act, including overhead expense and depreciation allowance, the said The Mayor and City Council of Taneytown is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to make such service rates or charges as may be necessary, chargeable against all properties having a service connection with any sewer line, sewer outlet or pipe owned, supplied or operated throughout the corporate limits of said town of Taneytown or its vicinity. Such service rates shall be uniform for similar service rendered throughout the corporate limits and beyond, but subject to change from time to time as necessary in the judgment of the said The Mayor and City Council of Taneytown, provided, however, that for sewer service furnished beyond the limits of the town of Taneytown the said The Mayor and City Council of Taneytown may, in its discretion, increase such rates or charges for similar sewer service in the town, if, in its discretion, it considers such increase advisable and, in such case, the amount of such increase shall be in the discretion of the municipality.

The service charges aforesaid shall be collected, and shall have the same priority rights, bear the same interest and penalties and in every respect have the same lien as